## HOUSE RESOLUTION 336 By Hood

## A RESOLUTION to recognize Elizabeth "Betty" Hord on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth "Betty" Hord is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hord has served as a classroom teacher with the Rutherford County School System for many years; during her illustrious career, she has positively influenced many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hord has served with distinction as a teacher for thirty-one years, beginning her illustrious career as the only first grade teacher in a six-room school in Coffee County; and

WHEREAS, she began her exemplary tenure with the Rutherford County School System as a first grade teacher at Smyrna Primary and later transferred to Stewartsboro Elementary School, when it opened in 1992; and

WHEREAS, for eight years, Betty Hord served with the Department of Education's Career Ladder Appeals program; and

WHEREAS, she began her teaching career after graduating from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville; she has also earned Master's and Education Specialist degrees from Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Hord is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Betty Hord truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel is highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; she represents all that is good and noble in education; and

WHEREAS, after retiring, Mrs. Hord plans to travel, enjoy reading and cooking, pursue her hobby of floral arrangement, and, of course, attend more UT football games; and

WHEREAS, deeply devoted to her family, she also plans to spend more time with her husband, Tommy Hord, her daughter, Elizabeth, and her grandnephews; and

WHEREAS, Betty Hord truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized on the occasion of her retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend Elizabeth "Betty" Hord for her exceptional service to the children of Rutherford County, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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